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November 9, 2012

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 - 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Ex Parte

Re: Notice of Ex Parte Presentation -- In the Matter of Amendment of Part 90 of the Commission's Rules Implementing a Nationwide, Broadband, Interoperable Public Safety Network in the 700 MHz Band Service Rules for the 698-746, 747-762 and 777-792 MHz Bands (WP Docket No. 07-100, PS Docket No. 06-229, and WT Docket No. 06-150); Amendment of Part 101 to Facilitate Wireless Backhaul (WT Docket No. 10-153); National Environmental Policy Act Compliance for Proposed Tower Registrations (WT Docket 08-61); Effects of Communications Towers on Migratory Birds (WT Docket No. 03-187).

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On November 9, 2012, Prudence Parks and Connie Durcsak on behalf of UTC and members of the UTC Board of Directors met with Jeffrey Steinberg, Steve DelSordo, Dan Abeyta, John Schauble, Tim Maguire, and Jane Jackson of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau in connection with the above-referenced proceeding. The members of the UTC Board of Directors who attended the meeting are listed on the attachment.

During the meeting, UTC explained that utilities support expanding eligibility in the 4.9 GHz to include critical infrastructure industry entities on a primary basis, which would make effective and efficient use of the band as well as complement the 700 MHz band as a backhaul solution. UTC also expressed its support for allowing smaller antennas in the 13 GHz band, consistent with the comments filed by the Fixed Wireless Communications Coalition. UTC also discussed issues with regard to compliance with the antenna structure registration ("ASR") process, including processing times and whether to apply for an ASR for towers that are less than 200 feet in height.

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These discussions were consistent with UTC's comments on the record in these proceedings. Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned if you have any questions.

Respectfully,

Brett Kilbourne

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cc: Jeffrey Steinberg

Steve DelSordo

Dan Abeyta

John Schauble

Tim Maguire

Jane Jackson

<u>Attachment</u>

UTC Board of Directors Participating in the Meeting with the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau

- 1. Tom Perry, Santee Cooper
- 2. Mike Lowe, Blue Ridge EMC
- 3. Tim Slay, Duke
- 4. Rick Speck, Kansas City Power & Light
- 5. Matt Schnell, Nebraska Public Power District
- 6. Jaime Leal, Tri-State G&T
- 7. Alan Bakalar, PT Wireless
- 8. Ron Taylor, Salt River Project
- 9. Jeff Nichols, Sempra Energy Utilities
- 10. Roxanne Fong, Pacific Gas & Electric
- 11. Sonya Baskerville, Bonneville Power Administration
- 12. Ron Beck, Central Lincoln Public Utility District